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No information has come to light indicating knowledge of violence on the part of any members. There is a possibility of this organization becoming more active if JOHN KASPER returns to this area. In the meantime, this case is being placed in a closed status. Any information coming to the attention of this office will be forwarded to the Bureau by letterhead memorandum.

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Careful consideration has been given to the source concealed and a T symbol was utilized in the report only in that instance where the identity of the source must be concealed.

The last symbol utilized in SWCC reports is WF T-4.

One copy of this report is being sent to Baltimore and Richmond Divisions since subject organization has been active in their areas in the past.

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Report of:

RICHARD B. LAVIN

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10/9/59

Office: Washington. D. C.

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Title:

WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

Character:

RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

Officers of SWCC remain the same as previous months. There has been no activity on part of SWCC during past month. One person characterized as SWCC member advises he contributed money to FLOYD FLEMING on one occasion. Another person characterized as SWCC member advises she has attended no meetings but considers herself a "charter member" of SWCC.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

A description of the Seaboard White Citizens Councils (SWCC) is located in the appendix section of this report.

OFFICERS

On September 29, 1959, WF T-1 advised that the officers of the SWCC are as follows:

Executive Director:

FREDERICK JOHN KASPER, aka

JOHN KASPER FLOYD FLEMING

CARY JOHNSON HANSEL

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President:

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Secretary: Chairman of Board of

Directors:

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2. FINANCES

WF T-1 advised on October 5, 1959, that the SWCC had less than \$5.00 in its bank account at the present time.

3. ACTIVITIES

WF T-1 advised that there has been no activity on the part of the SWCC during the past month. FLOYD FLEMING has 500 letters of appeal for funds for JOHN KASPER that are to be addressed when time allows.

4. INTERVIEWS WITH PERSONS CHARACTERIZED AS SWCC MEMBERS

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On November 14, 1958, WF T-1 furnished a list of persons who are carried on SWCC files as members. WF T-1 has continuously advised that actually there is no membership as such to the SWCC. On this list were thirty five names, twenty one of whom were listed as residing in the Washington, D. C., area.

On September 21, 1959,
Maryland, carried on the above list, was
interviewed by SAs ELMER LEE TODD and RICHARD B. LAVIN.
He advised that he knew FLOYD FLEMING at the Anacostia Naval
Air Station when they were both employed there prior to
November, 1958. recalls that on one occasion he gave FLEMING three dollars (\$3.00) more or less to get FLEMING
FLEMING three dollars (\$3.00) more or less to get FLEMING
"off my back". stated he was never a member of FLEMING's
organization and attended only one meeting at Wayson's Corners
in Maryland in 1956. advised that he still hears from
FLEMING by mail, in that he receives periodic requests for
fundsstated he has not answered any of these requests,
and is no longer interested in any of FLEMING's ideas.
On September 24, 1959,
carried on this list as a member, was inter-
viewed by SAs TODD and LAVIN. She advised that she was a
charter member of the SWCC, although she had never attended
any meetings. She mentioned she was a staunch supporter of
segregation. stated that she was a close friend
of RAN de MENT, the sister of FLOYD FLEMING, the President of
SWCC. She advised that she has met no other members of the
SWCC, and does not know of any violence on the part of any
members of the SWCC.

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APPENDIX

White Citizens Councils of D. C., aka Seaboard White Citizens Councils

The White Citizens Councils of D. C., aka the Seaboard White Citizens Councils (SWCC) were incorporated in the District of Columbia as reflected in certificate 16343 filed August 31, 1956, with the Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C. The "particular business and objectives of said corporation shall be to promote the material improvement of its members by designating information to members and others for the purpose of improving race relations." Among individuals listed as trustees, directors and/or managers for the corporation were JOHN KASPER and FLOYD FLEMING.

FREDERICK JOHN KASPER, aka JOHN KASPER was sentenced to one year in a federal prison in the fall of 1956 by United States District Judge ROBERT TAYLOR in Knoxville, Tennessee for violation of a restraining order prohibiting interference with integration of the Clinton, Tennessee High School. KASPER has also received an additional six months! Federal prison sentence for again violating this order and has been sentenced by State of Tennessee to serve six months for inciting a riot.

A source has advised that as of May, 1959, KASPER is still the Executive Director of the SWCC. The source has advised that the actual active membership of the SWCC is small and limited to approximately nine persons.



In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 100-33226

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

October 9, 1959

WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RACIAL MATTERS

WF T-1, mentioned in the report of Special Agent Richard B. Lavin, dated and captioned as above, has furnished reliable information in the past.

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FREDERICK JOHN KASPER, RM.

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